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In re application of: Torsten Niederdränk

CONFIRMATION NO.: 2643

Serial No.: 10/608,589

GROUP ART UNIT: 2643

Filed: June 27, 2003

EXAMINER: Ensey, Brian

For: MODULAR HEARING AID DEVICE

**AMENDMENT "A"**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
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TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		X	( ) X 25.00 ( ) X 50.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		X	( ) X 100.00 ( ) X 200.00	
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES ( ) NO	( ) \$180.00 ( ) \$360.00 ONE TIME	
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A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

A check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached

A check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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Appl. No. 10/608,589  
Reply to Office Action of October 6, 2004



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### AMENDMENT A

APPLICANT: Torsten Niederdränk DOCKET NO: P03,0228

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CONF. NO.: 8450

TITLE: MODULAR HEARING AID DEVICE

Mail Stop Amendment

5 Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

10 In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004 ("OA"), please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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